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To the Ironbound Community,

The Winter of our discontent has past. Spring, with all the promises of life renewed has come. By now we had hoped to display the fruits of our labors in the form of a workable solution that would eliminate most jet noise from our skies. Instead, we stand before you empty-handed, burdened down with hollow promises and deadlines ignored.

Throughout the Winter season the planning committee has been in constant contact with airport officials. At a February meeting at Newark Airport, we were assured that Spring would realize a solution to our plight. We believed the Federal Aviation Administration was playing by the same rules of fairness as we were. They have shown themselves to be blatant liars. Their actions, or rather their lack of them, have proven a sham.

We still must convince these airport officials that the Ironbound Community is a force to be dealt with. We still must convince them that "Down Neckers" are not "Push Overs". For this reason, more than ever before, we need a large showing of the neighborhood to make themselves heard.

Throughout all the negotiations, even at our airport demonstrations, the Ironbound residence acted with restraint and polite manners. After all we seek peace. It is evident that good manners and proper social graces count for none by the powers in charge. Its time to take off the gloves and meet the airport officials on their own ground.

As before, but even more so now, your physical presence is needed at St. Benedict's Church. on Tuesday, April 1, 1980, at 7:30pm. All details of our winter's work will be made known, along with the next vital steps that MUST be taken at all cost. Aside from enthusiasm, what is needed at this meeting is the greatest show of strength ever assembled. We must join hands firmly in this effort as never before. We must stand up together as never before. We must walk united as never before. We shall not fail.

In Honest and Sincere Community Service,

Ironbound Community Health Project